

# French Quarter Infrastructure Improvement Project Status Update – November 6, 2017

The City of New Orleans, Department of Public Works, along with the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans, is currently implementing a **multi-million dollar** reconstruction project which calls for removing and replacing existing water and drainage lines, repairing the sewer line, repaving the roadway in concrete, installing new sidewalks, when necessary, and installing American with Disabilities Act-compliant curb ramps at intersections.

### Work Schedule

Construction crews are now authorized to work from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Sunday, as weather permits. When possible, crews may work until 8 p.m.; however, high volumes of pedestrian activity make moving equipment more challenging late in the day.

#### Traffic Status

#### Intersection Closure at Conti St.

The intersection of Conti St. at Bourbon St. is currently closed. Conti is expected to re-open by next Tuesday, November 14, 2017, pending strength test results for the new concrete roadway. The closure is required to facilitate installation of underground utilities and permanent roadway restoration. Flaggers will be available at the intersections of Dauphine at Conti streets, and Royal at Conti streets to facilitate deliveries and access to parking garages.

#### Intersection Closure at Bienville St.

The intersection of Bienville at Bourbon St. will close after Conti St re-opens. The closure will last several weeks. The closure is required to facilitate installation of underground utilities in the intersection and will begin once the Conti St. intersection re-opens. Flaggers will be available at the intersections of Dauphine at Bienville streets, and Royal at Bienville streets to facilitate deliveries and access to parking garages.

## **Business Signage**

A number of businesses have printed and placed signage on the project safety fencing. The City is supportive of this effort; however, some of the signage has been defaced with stickers, graffiti, etc. Please plan to remove damaged signs and replace missing zip ties and brackets so the signage is affixed safely and legibly. Illegible and/or damaged signage will be removed on Friday, Nov. 10.

## 100 (Canal - Iberville)

- Bollard installation is now scheduled for December.
- Please note the intersection of Iberville and Bourbon is currently a two-way stop. Both Bourbon and Iberville traffic are required to stop at the intersection.

## 200 (Iberville - Bienville) Anticipated Full Closure Construction Timeline: Jul. 5 - Mid-

#### **December**

- Full block closure remains in effect.
- Chlorination tests have passed on the new water line in this block. The water line tie-in is scheduled for later this week. Connecting the new water line to the existing utilities would occur early morning from about 4 a.m. to 8 a.m.
- Crews will complete drainage in block and extend pipes through the Bienville intersection while it is closed.
- Plan to place garbage cans in appropriate corrals at the intersection of Iberville and Bienville streets.
   Garbage cans and carts may not be placed on the Bourbon St. sidewalk until construction is completed in the 200 block.

## 300 (Bienville - Conti) Anticipated Full Closure Construction Timeline: May 15 - Mid-December

- Full block closure remains in effect though pavement has been placed.
- Expect mid-block roadway closures starting today to allow Entergy to install two duct banks across Bourbon. Pedestrians will be allowed to use the sidewalks at this time.
- Streetlight pedestal bases continue to be installed this week.
- The brick mortar requires a 72-hour cure time before it sets. During the curing time, the brick sidewalk will be fenced off. Please do not pressure wash the brick sidewalk while the grout is curing.
- Due to the Bienville closure and the Conti intersection still requiring utility and pavement work, this block will now be open to traffic in Mid-December. Pedestrians will have access to both the street and the brick sidewalks by next week.





# 400 (Conti – St. Louis) Anticipated Full Closure Construction Timeline: Sept. 7 – Dec. 2017

- Full block closure remains in effect.
- Water-line services are being transferred to the new main this week.
- Entergy Electric continues to construct new electrical duct banks and is expected to be complete this week.
- Entergy Gas is currently working in the 400 block.
- Roadway pavement restoration operations will begin in the next few weeks and be completed in December.

## "Conversation on the Corner"

The bi-weekly community status meeting is held every other Thursday morning at 10 a.m. The next meeting will be held this **Thursday, November 16th, at 10 a.m.** on the corner of **Bienville and Bourbon** streets. **NOTE:** In the event of rain, we will meet at the PJ's in the Royal Sonesta.

## **AT&T Service Outage Reporting Process**

To ensure service restoration and proper credit, AT&T residential customers MUST report problems to 1-800-288-2020. Business customers MUST report problems to 1-877-438-0041. After reporting problems to AT&T, customers may also send e-mail to roadwork@nola.gov to expedite the process.

## **Garbage Corrals**

Garbage must be **placed in appropriate corrals** at the end of each intersecting block (Iberville, Bienville and Conti) between 4 a.m. to 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Please refrain from leaving garbage cans on the Bourbon St. sidewalk as we are required to maintain pedestrian access.

Questions about our French Quarter Infrastructure Improvement Project may be directed via e-mail to <a href="mailto:roadwork@nola.gov">roadwork@nola.gov</a> or to our RoadworkNOLA hotline 504.658.ROAD (7623).

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